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C O N F I D E N T I A L SALT TWO GENEVA 0065

E.9. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, OREP

SUBJECT: CODEL GRAVEL (SALT TWO-545)

REF: STATE 047695

1. AS DEPARTMENT INDICATES, I BELIEVE THAT SOV DEL WOULD NOT AGREE TO PRESENCE OF GRAVEL AT SALT SESSION. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS, SALT MEETINGS ARE NOW VERY SMALL, WITH ONLY DELEGATION MEMBERS THEMSELVES, REPORTING OFFICER AND INTERPRETERS PRESENT, NOT EVEN OTHER DELEGATION STAFF MEMBERS NORMALLY BEING PRESENT. NEITHER SIDE HAS EVER INTRODUCED EVEN VISITING MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE INTO MEETINGS, AND I WOULD LOATH TO SEEK TO CHANGE PRACTICES, ESPECIALLY AT THIS IMPORTANT PHASE IN OUR NEGOTIATIONS. IF IT SEEMED WISE AND COINCIDED WITH SENATOR'S SCHEDULE, I WOULD BE PREPARED TO INTRODUCE HIM TO MINISTER SEMENOV PRIOR TO A MEETING BEING HELD HERE AT U.S. MISSION.

2. I WOULD, OF COURSE, BE PLEASED MYSELF TO DISCUSS SALT WITH THE SENATOR WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF WHATEVER GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT CAN GIVE ME. I NOTE THAT HE IS NOT A MEMBER OF EITHER THE FOREIGN RELATIONS OR ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEES AND I ASSUME THAT IT WOULD CERTAINLY NOT BE DESIRABLE TO DISCUSS MATTERS WITH HIM GOING BEYOND THOSE COVERED WITH THOSE COMMITTEES.

3. WE WILL COORDINATE WITH THE MISSION CONTROL OFFICER ON THE SENATOR'S SCHEDULE. JOHNSON

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